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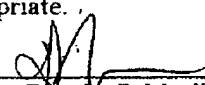
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Dear Sir:

Applicants' representative confirmed with the Examiner in the telephone interview of April 16, 2008, that the Office Action mailed October 31, 2007 was improperly indicated as a final action in the Office Action Summary page. The Examiner confirmed that the Office Action is a non-final action, as it included a new art rejection. Applicants filed a complete reply to the Office Action on January 31, 2008, within the shortened statutory period of reply, but indicated however that the response was in reply to a final office action. The Examiner said that the January 31, 2008 reply will be treated as a response after a non-final office action, that is, in reply to the non-final Office Action mailed October 31, 2007. Thus, Applicants have met the statutory requirements for reply by their response filed January 31, 2008, and now await the next action from the USPTO. Applicants appreciate the indication by the Examiner that the next action would include this clarification.

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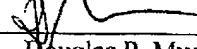
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